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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. Two only

Part B for March 41.

SUBJECT.

Customs duty exemption relating to the goods imported for the personal use of Rulers of Indian States.

WD 0578—GPB—22,500—12-9-39

B.B. Shankaran

2-4-41

Customs Duty Exemption relating to the goods imported for the personal use of Rulers of Indian States.

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Serial No.

From

The Foreign and Political Minister Gwalior.

D.O. No 4874 25th Dec. 40 re: Customs Duty exemption.

The previous letter referred to in the PSD is not traceable. The Gwalior Minister wants information regarding the exact procedure and practice that is in vogue in the State covering such exceptional cases in which, to suit the convenience and needs of the Ruler, Spl purchases are made in India, to be replaced in due course by forward orders of exactly similar goods, from its manufacturers or agents abroad

The previous reference in this office has been looked into whether such an exceptional case has been brought to the notice of this Govt, as the one referred to in the letter but there is none. Customs Duty Exemption is claimed by the Palace Authorities themselves and as such generally references on such subjects are not available with Govt. Since no such exceptional case has come to the notice of Govt. perhaps the Hyder Secy may also be consulted, if such an instance has happened and if so, the procedure adopted in such cases, before sending a final reply in the matter. On receipt of information from him perhaps a reply may be sent. Submitted with a draft to the Hyder Secy for consideration.

For approval

(Dep. Secy) For perusal before issue 1/3/41

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D. O. No. 4814.

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Lashkar,

20/12 December 1940

P.P. 48-40-1

My Dear Sir Mirza

My predecessor in office had addressed you in August 1938 (copy enclosed for ready reference) on the subject of the issue of courtesy certificates and its application in certain special cases. It is just possible that you might have already answered the enquiry but as more than two years have since elapsed and the reply is not traceable in the records of this office, I shall deem it a favour if a copy of the reply is sent to me.

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Yours Sincerely
Manubhai N Mehta

FOREIGN & POLITICAL MINISTER.

Chief Secretary

By Order
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Private Secretary to the Dewan.

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Put up reply
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Sir Mirza Ismail, K.C.I.E., C.I.E. O.B.E.
Dewan Mysore State,
Bangalore.

Copy of letter No.373.T.B. dated 1st August 1938 from Sardar C.S. Angre, Foreign & Political Minister, Gwalior Government, Camp Brabourne Stadium, Bombay to Sir Mirza Ismail, Diwan Mysore State.

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Apropos the customs duty exemption relating to the goods imported for the personal use of Rulers of Indian States I shall feel obliged if you will very kindly let me know for my information only, the practice that is observed in connection with the grant of such exemptions for the Ruler of your State. If you have no objection I would appreciate your informing me the exact procedure and practice that is in vogue in your State covering such exceptional cases, in which, to suit the convenience and needs of the Ruler, spot purchases are made in India, to be replaced in due course by forward orders of exactly similar goods, from its manufacturers or agents abroad.

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True Copy

Head clerk
F. & Political Dept:
Gwalior Govt:

It is understood that the previous papers was dealt with in the P.P. section

This may kindly be referred to the Post Branch for putting up the papers for submission to the Chief Secy

(S.J. Prot. Br.)

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Section P.P

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Serial No.

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

No. P4505/Secl.

To

The Hon'ble Secy to H.H.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue 4/3/41

I am directed to enclose herein a copy of an enquiry from the Customs Duty exemption relating to the goods imported for the personal use of Rulers and to request you to be kindly intimate whether any such exceptional cases as the one referred to, has occurred and if so, the procedure and practice adopted in such cases.

Signed by The 7+P Minister, Gwalior
Dwn. K.P.P

Thanks

List of enclosures.....

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WD 086—GPB—40,000—30-7-40

4/3/41

Chief Secy to Govt

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4th March 1941.

The Huzur Secretary to His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

I am directed to enclose herein a copy of an enquiry Foreign and Political Minister, Gwalior, regarding the luty exemption relating to the goods imported for the personal use of Rulers and to request you kindly intimate whether any such exceptional case, as the one referred to, has occurred and if so, the procedure and practice adopted in such cases.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Chief Secretary to Government.

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No. 3970

The Palace,
Mysore, 6th March 1941.

FROM

THE HUZUR SECRETARY

TO HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

The Chief Secretary
to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

I am desired to acknowledge the receipt of your letter B No.P.4505 dated the 4th March 1941 and to state that as already intimated in Private Secretary's letter No.403 dated the 1st September 1938, exemption cannot be claimed when goods are purchased after they have been released from bond.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

For Huzur Secretary
to H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

D. O. No.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,

Bangalore, Dated, 7th March 1941.

Dear Sir,

I shall be obliged if you can kindly arrange to send me a copy of Private Secretary's letter No. 403, dated the 1st September 1938 referred to by the Huzur Secretary in his letter No. 3970, dated 6th March 1941 to the Chief Secretary to Government regarding Customs Duty Exemptions relating to the goods ~~xx~~ imported for the personal use of Rulers.

As the letter of September 1938 is not readily available in this office I am making this request to you.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Superintendent,
Protection Branch.

T.G. Sachidanandam Pillai, Esq., B.A.,
Manager, Office of Huzur Secretary
to His Highness the Maharaja of
Mysore.

No. 3968 1/1

THE PALACE,

MYSORE.

9th March 1941.

Dear Sir,

As desired in your letter D.O.No.P.4564 of the 7th instant, I enclose herewith a copy of the Private Secretary's letter No.403 dated the 1st September 1938 to the Chief Secretary, on the subject of our experience in cases in which spot purchases are made in India, of goods for the personal use of the Ruler, to be replaced in due course by exactly similar goods, imported under exemption from duty.

Yours sincerely,

Manager,
Palace Office.

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No.403

Mysore,
1st September 1938.

From

Sir Charles Todhunter, K.C.S.I., J.P.
Private Secretary to His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Mysore

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.P.1146 dated the 27th August 1938 in which you have enquired at the instance of the Foreign and Political Department of the Gwalior State what is our experience in cases in which spot purchases are made in India of goods for the personal use of the Ruler, to be replaced in due course by exactly similar goods imported under exemption from duty.

I append below a copy of the order of the Assistant Collector of Customs, Madras, in one such case which occurred last month.

"Order No. Apr.701/38 dated 1st August 1938.

"Under the orders in force, goods supplied from Bond to "Ruling Chiefs are entitled to exemption from duty only if "they were sold while still in Bond. In this case the goods "were cleared from Bond on 25-4-38 whereas the order of the "Mysore Government was received by the importers only on "8-5-1938. In the circumstances, the claim for refund cannot "be sustained and must be rejected."

Having regard to the wording of the certificate, I am afraid there is no doubt that the Assistant Collector's order is within the letter of the law.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd. C.G.Todhunter

PRIVATE SECRETARY TO H.H.
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

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Serial No. 2

D.P. No. P4659

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

To The Foreign and Political Minister. Gwalior

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O no 4814 d 20th Dec. 1940 to the Dewan enquiring the exact procedure and practice that is in vogue in the State covering such exceptional cases, in which, to suit the convenience and needs of the Rulers, spot purchases are made in India to be replaced in due course by forward orders of exactly similar goods, from its manufacturers or agents abroad, I am desired to inform you that such an instance occurred in this State also but it was made by the Asst Collr of Customs Madras that exemption cannot

Date of issue 14/3/41

Signed by Mr. B.D.K.

List of enclosures.....

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WD 0563—GPB—30,000—6-1-39

D.O. No. P 4659

14th March 41

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O. letter No.4814 dated the 20th December 1940 to the Dewan, enquiring the exact procedure and practice that is in vogue in the State covering such exceptional cases, in which, to suit the convenience and needs of the Ruler, spot purchases are made in India to be replaced in due course by forward orders of exactly similar goods, from its manufacturers or agents abroad, I am desired to inform you that such an instance occurred in this State also but it was ruled by the Assistant Collector of Customs, Madras, that exemption cannot be claimed when goods are purchased after they have been released from bond.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Manubai N. Mehta, KBSI

~~The~~ Foreign & Political Minister,
Gwalior State, Gwalior.